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Senator Ben Nelson

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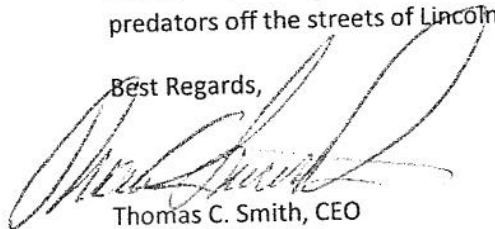
Dear Senator Nelson,

I am writing in support of the Child Advocacy Center's application for federally appropriated earmark funds to support a new facility to be built in Northeast Lincoln.

For the past 11 years, the Child Advocacy Center has been a model in interagency collaboration in the investigation of child abuse cases. The center works closely with Law enforcement, protection and safety agencies and medical and mental health providers to provide direct services to child victims of abuse and their non-offending family members. The center has served over 5,250 unduplicated child victims of abuse, mostly sexual abuse.

It is my hope that you will support the appropriation of federal funds to help us continue to get sexual predators off the streets of Lincoln and Southeast Nebraska.

Best Regards,



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